Category #36:

The Guidelines should allow preferred source purchasing.

State Response:

OGS agrees that green cleaning products provided by Corcraft should be and will be given consideration. The OGS Procurement Services Group, who oversees all state procurement, including preferred source purchasing, has been regularly consulted throughout the process. For example, PSG has worked with other Preferred Sources such as the New York State Industries for the Disabled and Industries for the Blind of New York State to list their products on the OGS web site and to link to each of their web sites. PSG is ready and able to assist Corcraft in a similar manner. Our sample list of approved cleaning products will include information concerning whether or not a product is from a preferred source, and if so, which preferred source. Cleaning product selection will be the responsibility of each school district, and as such, they will need to consider preferred source products and are ultimately accountable for their selection process.

Frequently Asked Public Comment:

Preferred Source Status

--Corcraft Comments on Preferred Source Status: (1) As a preferred source, Corcraft should be allowed to provide a green, user/environmentally preferable cleaning list along with pricing before any approved list or contract is put in place which will allow New York State schools to select cleaning products. (2) Corcraft in a partnership with PortionPac Chemical Corporation does offer the following cleaning products which are Green Seal certified in addition to our products which do meet Governor Pataki's Executive Order #134: Green Seal Certified Products are: UOGREENPAC0505, Toilet Bowel Cleaner; UOGREENPAC1405, Glass Cleaner; UOGREENPAC0102, All Purpose Cleaner (various sizes available); UOGREENPAC1802, Neutral Cleaner (various sizes available); UOGREENPAC0314, Floor Finish Remover; UOGREENPAC2664, Floor Finish and UOGREENPAC0603, Rug/UPL Cleaner. (3) In addition to the above products certified by the Green Seal lab, the following products are, in Corcraft's opinion, environmentally preferable and meet the Governor's intent. The products are as follows: User/ Environmentally Preferable Products: Non-paradichlorobenzene Rest Room Deodorizer Products, Orange Grove Cleaner, Neutralizing Cleaner, Borax Hand Powder, Translucent Bar Toilet Soap, Standard White Toilet Soap, Laundry Chips, Built Laundry Detergent and High Speed Buffable Floor Finish. (4) Corcraft is very interested in making sure that their products are given the consideration required under the New York Sate procurement guidelines. (James Hoffman, Director, NYS Department of Correctional Services, Division of Industries, Corcraft Products).